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Name: Black Dragon Society (KOKURYUKAI).
 Office: KOJINACHI, Ku, NAGATA Cho, 3-86.
 Founded: 3 February 1901.
 System: Nationalism.
 Membership: Approximately 400-500.
 Related Organization:

Production Party of Greater Japan (DAI-NIPPON SEISAN-TO), Great Action Society (TAIKO-SHA), Nationalist Party (KOKUSUI-KAI), Patriotic Society (AIKOKU-SHA), Great Reform Society (TAIKA-KAI), Clear Virtue Society (MEITORU-KAI), Autumn Water Society (SHUSUI-KAI).

Organ: Meeting reports (monthly).

Backers:

Source of funds: Donations, etc.

Leaders and key members:

Advisor: TOYAMA, Kitsuru.
 President: UCHIDA, Ryohei.
 Secretary General: KUZUU, Shukichi.
 Secretaries: OBATA, Chotaro
 IKEEDA, Koju
 TAKAMURA, Hiroichi
 OKUBO, Takaaki
 OGAWA, Umpei

General Principle:

Expansion of the Empire and development of the Asiatic peoples.

Main Activities:

3 February 1901: Inauguration of organization at NENDA, NISHIKAI Machi, NINKIRAN. After its organization, the society, through the Meeting Reports and other channels, actively promoted anti-Russian and anti-Korean agitation.

1909: Carried on numerous activities directed toward the annexation of KOREA.

1911: Involved in various schemes promoting the Chinese Revolution.

January 1912: On the establishment of the Republic of CHIN the society entered into a close coalition with the acting president, SUN, Wen, and UCHIDA, Ryohei became a non-official advisor on foreign affairs.

February 1914: After the SIEMENS (TN Phonetics) Incident, held a mass meeting in HIBIYA Park opposing the stand of the YAMAMOTO Cabinet.

4 May 1919: Held meeting at the HONGANJI, TSUKIJI, to discuss peace problems.

Nov. 1921: Discussed the WASHINGTON Conference at a meeting at the SEIYOKEN, TSUKIJI.

March 1923: Agitated against CHINA, with particular reference to the Sino-Japanese Treaty.

September 1923: Mobilized membership to aid victims of the KANTO earthquake disaster.

June 1924: Held anti-American mass meeting in SHIBA PARK.

January 1925: Began agitation for universal suffrage under the name of "The Association for Genuine Universal Suffrage" (JUNSEI FUSEN KISEIKAI).

May 1928: After the TSIHAN(TN Phonetics) Incident, held a mass meeting in SHIBA PARK demanding the chastisement of CHINA, subsequently sponsored similar meetings throughout the country.

March 1929: Held mass meeting in SHIBA PARK supporting the TANAKA Cabinet.

25 November 1930: Held mass meeting at KOYAMA KAIKAN to discuss naval disarmament.

1931: Began agitation in connection with the Manchurian and Mongolian Incidents; still active in this field.

26 June 1932: Held conferences at the HIBIYA TOYOKEN with members of the peace mission which came to JAPAN to discuss the question of immediate recognition of MANCHURIA.

Other Reference Material:

1. Recent activities have been carried on under the name "Production Party"; the name "Black Dragon Society" has not been used.

Name: Foundation of the State Society: (KOKUHON-SHA)

Office: KOJIMACHI-Ku, HIRAKAWA-Cho 6-26.

Founded: 20 December 1920.

System: Nationalism.

Membership: 50,000.

Related Organizations:

Organs: Foundation of State Society Paper Semi-monthly, circulation 30,000.

Foundation of State Society Magazine monthly; circulation 25,000.

Backers:

Source of funds: Membership fees, contributions.

Leaders and Key Members:

President: HIRANUMA, Kiichiro

Adviser: TOGO, Heihachiro

SAITO, Minoru

Directors:

IKEDA, Seihin
OGISAWARA, Naganori
KAWADA, Takeshi
UGAKI, Kazunari
ARITA, Ryokichi
KIKUCHI, Takeo
HIRAMITSU, Ichizo
HARI, Kido
OGURI, Nasatuso
KAWAMURA, Sadashiro
MISAMI, Jinzaburo
ARAKI, Torasaburo
YUKI, Toyotaro
SUETSUGU, Nobumasa
HONDA, Kumataro
WANI, Teikichi
TANABE, Harumichi
KOISO, Kuniaki
ARAKI, Sadao
SHIRAKAWA, Yukichi
SUZUKI, Kisaburo
OSUMI, Takao
KATO, Kanji
TAKEMOTO, Kakuji
CYAMA, Yukichi
SATO, Shosuke
YADORI, Eiji
OBARA, Naoshi
KABAYAMA, Itochide
NAKAMITSU, Korio
GOTO, Fumio
SAWADA, Ushimaro
SHIONO, Hidehiko

Principles:

To foster the spirit of nationalism; to bolster up the foundations of the State; to work for the dissemination of learning and morality; to exalt the national spirit.

Other Activities:

At the time of its organization, the Society was in close touch with military circles and with the Ministry of Justice. It published its magazine, FOUNDATION OF THE STATE SOCIETY. From about 1924 on, with HIRANUMA, Kiichiro as advisor, TAKEUCHI, Kakuji drew into the Society prominent national figures and men connected with the Army, Navy, and Ministry of Justice.

On 10 March 1925, the organization moved its offices to KOJIMACHI-Ku, HIRAKAWA-Cho, 6-5 and began publication of THE FOUNDATION OF THE STATE SOCIETY MAGAZINE, which campaigned against Bolshevism and for the enhancement of national prestige.

From about March 1925, the Foundation of the State Society held lecture meetings at various places and was active in the establishment of branches.

Around October 1926, the fifteen thousandth copy of its periodical, FOUNDATION OF THE STATE SOCIETY MAGAZINE was published. The

membership increased with great rapidity.

By about April, 1928, branches had been established throughout the country. Speakers included Army and Navy officers; HARA, Kido; OGAWA, Heikichi; SUZUKI, Hisaburo, and other prominent men. Activities were chiefly directed to combating Bolshevism and exalting the national prestige.

At 1700 hours on 16 July 1931, a regular officers meeting was held at KOJIMACHI-ku, HIRAKAWA-Cho, 6-26. Twenty-three persons were present, including War Minister MINAMI, President of the Supreme Court MAKINO, and others. After dinner HONDA, Kumataro, spoke on foreign affairs. The meeting adjourned at 2100 hours.

Name: Society of the Emperor JIMMU (JIMMU KAI)

Business Address: KOJIMACHI KU, UCHISAIWAII Cho, 3rd Floor, TOYO Bldg.

Date of Organization: 11 February 1932.

System: Nationalism

Membership: Approximately 30,000.

Related Organizations: Greater JAPAN Production Party (DAI NIPPON SEISANTO), Greater JAPAN Youth Alliance (DAI NIPPON SEINEN DOMEI), Party of the JAPAN Nationalist Society (NIPPON KOKKA SHAKAITO), Greater JAPAN National Aggrandizement League (KOKUTAI ZENKOKU DAI NIPPON SHUGI DOMEI), Emperor JIMMU Youth Group (JIMMU SEINENTAI), and the Society for Action (KOCHISHA).

Organ: JAPAN (NIPPON) (Bi-monthly).

Backers:

Source of Funds: Voluntary contributions.

Leaders and Principal Members:

Control of the organization was weakened after the arrest of its head, ONIWA, Shumei () on 15 June 1932, and until his release the organization was provisionally changed as follows:

Chairman: KARINO, Satoshi ().

Standing Central Executive Committee Members: KARINO, Satoshi; MATSUNOBE, Shigeji; KANEUCHI, Yoshisuke; UTSUNOMIYA, Yoshihisa.

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Executive Secretary: KARINO, Hitoshi.

Chairman of Editorial Staff: MATSUNOBE, Shigeji.

Publicity Chairman: KITAOKA, Kisuke.

Organization Chairman: KANEUCHI, Yoshisuke.

Chairman of Judicial Affairs: UTSUNOMIYA, Yoshihisa.

Chairman of Young Peoples Section: KARINO, Satoshi.

Principles:

To strive for the happiness and guidance of the people of ASIA, following the basic principles of justice and humanity patriotically and in the spirit of the Japanese Empire.

Platform:

1. To further the spirit in which the Emperor JIMMU founded the Empire; to follow the national policies peculiar to this country, to aid in the development of culture; to promote the national interests and the welfare of the people; to aspire to the leadership of the people of ASIA.

2. To crush the evils in existing political parties which have spread throughout the country; to reform abuses; to achieve the realization of a government on nationalist lines.

3. To plan the control of industrial development and to start new industrialization along nationalist lines; to encourage the expansion of national power abroad.

Main activities:

After 13 February 1932, fifty-six important cities throughout the country were selected and these were divided into ten groups; three lecturers, and one leader were sent out to hold various meetings for the purpose of denouncing existing political parties and advocating the SHOWA Restoration. Fair results were obtained as reflected in the successful meetings in various places.

Around the first part of April of the same year, it began to follow the trend of the times as a result of a conference on the common struggle held by supporting groups among patriotic persons in all JAPAN and a conference of the leading figures in the Society for Action (KOCHISHA). There was a split in the internal organization of this group, and in order to further the progress of the movement, OKIWA, Shumei was made its leader, and TSUNUI, Tatsuo; KARINO, Satoshi and other rising young men were made directors. As a pioneer in the group SHIZU, Yukinosuke, former president of the Greater Action Society (DAIKOSHU), was obtained.

The two papers "Rising Citizens", of the Japan Cooperative organ and "NIPPON", of the Society for Action (KOCHISHA) organ, were combined as the organ for the Society of the Emperor JIMMU and published under the revised title "NIPPON".

On 15 June of that year, the organization's leader, OKIWA, Shumei was arrested while he was enroute to AOI-ORI Kon.

At 1930 hours, 8 August of that year, the leaders, KARINO, Satoshi; MATSUNOBE, Shigeji; and KINEUCHI, Yoshisuke left TOKYO Station for MANCHURIA stating that they were going on an inspection tour.

Miscellaneous Information:

The President of the Nationalist Party (KOKUSHATO) is so closely related to the Emperor JIMU Society that he is spoken of as an affiliated unit.

Name: Production Party of Greater JAPAN. (DAI-NIPPON SEISAN-TO)

Location of Office: KOJII-KAI-KU, HAGITA-Cho, 2-Chome 86.

Date Established: 28 June 1931

System: Nationalism.

Membership: Given at approximately 140 to 150 thousand.

Related Organization: Nationalist Party of Japan (NIPPON KOKULIN-TO)
Black Dragon Society (KODAIRYU-KAI), Heavenly Action Society (TENKO-KAI), Patriotic Society (NIKOU-SHA), Clear Virtue Society (LEITOKU-SHA).

Organs: Party Reports.

Backers:

Source of Funds: Party's fees, contributions, and others.

Leaders and Key Members: Advisor: TOYAMA, Mitsuru.

President: UCHIDA, Ryōhei

Standing Committee: KATSUO, Shukichi
IKEDA, Hiroshi
CHIKUBA, Keitaro
OBATA, Chotaro
HAYASHI, Itsuro
OGATA, Eizo
OKUDO, Sadamu
TANAKA, Yoshio
YAMADA, Hakudo
SHIOYA, Keiichiro
SUZUKI, Zenichi
TSUJII, Tatsuo
IJICHI, Yoshikazu
SEO, Motoharu
OYAMA, Kennan
IWATA, Kinosuke
TERADA, Inejiro
SAKAI, Rokusuke
BOKU, Shunkin
AKIBANE, Ryuji
SUENAGA, Ichizo
SHINOMIYA, Hiroshi
SAICHI, Iwao
MITSUDA, Sadasuke

Principles:

We conduct the state affairs of the nation by means of Greater JAPAN's policy.

Political Program:

1. To comply with the constitution granted by the Emperor and to make a success of good government in the concert between the ruler and ruled.

2. To reorganize the system of law which does not conform with